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SUBJ: SWEDISH MISSIONARIES UNDER HOUSE ARREST IN NDJAMENA

1. SWEDISH HONORARY CONSUL JACQUES CHAMPAGNE OF NDJAMENA HAS REQUESTED EMB ASSISTANCE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO SWEDISH MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND FOR INFO TO SWEDISH AMBASSADORS KINSHASA AND LAGOS. BEGIN MESSAGE: COMPTE TENU DIFFICULTES TRANSMISSIONS, DEPUIS 1 FEVRIER, JE NE PUIS AVOIR TELEPHOMIQUEMENT PETRUS HAMMARBERG PINEST MISSIONNENS-U-LANDSMJALD-BARNHUSEGATAN 3-111-23 STOCKHOLM, TEL 7-12-52-90 OU 21-42-85. FAIRE SAVOIR QUE 9 MISSIONAIRES SUEDOIS TOUJOURS EN RESIDENCE SURVEILLEE PARFAITE FAITE SANTE. MORALE BON. NOUVELLE CONFERENCE PRESSE A ETE LE 1 FEVRIER DANS CONDITIONS CORRECTES. TEMIOGNAGES LUI PARVIENDRONT. COURRIER FAMILIAL A ETE EXPEDIE CE 3 FEVRIER. ESPERE AVOIR SOUS 48 HEURES DEFINITIF RESSORTIS-SANTS. NE RIEN FAIRE QUI PUISSE ENTRAINER SANCTIONS SUR CONDITIONS SEJOUR. SI NON LIBERES LE 5 FEVRIER VOUS DEMANDE DETACHER AUTORITES SUEDOISE POUR NEGOCIATIONS. ATTENDRE MON PROCHAIN MESSAGE. MON EPOUSE OU MOIMEME ASSURONS 2 VISITES JOURNALIERES, REMETTONS JOURNAUX, ACCESSOIRES SANITAIRES, MEDICAMENTS, JEUX. SENTIMENTS LES MEILLEURS ET DEVOUES. CHAMPAGNE. C.H. END MESSAGE.

2. FEBRUARY 3 ISSUE INFOTCHAD REPORTED FEBRUARY 1 PRESS DON-
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REFERENCE, BUT MADE NO MENTION OF SWEDISH MISSIONARIES BEING

DETAINED. PRESS CONFERENCE DESIGNED TO COUNTER ADVERSE WESTERN
PRESS REGARDING TRIBAL INITIATIONS AND PROSECUTIONS OF MISSION-
ARIES. WHILE AFFIRMING THAT THEY HAD NEVER SEEN CHRISTIANS
PERSECUTED, SWEDISH MISSIONARIES WERE SILENT IN RESPONSE TO
OTHER QUESTIONS REGARDING THEIR ACTIVITIES. THUS FAR GOC
APPEARS TO HAVE TAKEN NO ACTIONS TOWARDS OTHER MISSIONARY
GROUPS.
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